

README document for datasets

The following are the files used for the manuscript “Contribution of biomass burning to black carbon deposition on Andean glaciers: Consequences for radiative forcing.” The types of data include modeling estimates, observations from glacial samples, observations from AERONET sites, and model codes. Units for variables in the spreadsheets are included in the documents.

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Important: All papers making use of these data should reference Bonilla et al. (2023):

Bonilla, E.X., L. J. Mickley, E. G. Beaudon, L. G. Thompson, W. E. Rodriguez, R. Cruz Encarnación, C. A. Whicker, M. G. Flanner, C. G. Schmitt, and P. Ginot (2023), Contribution of biomass burning to black carbon deposition on Andean glaciers: Consequences for radiative forcing, *Environmental Research Letters*, in press.

Modeling data

BC_GEOS_Chem_data_caw_apr25.xlsx

Excel sheet containing radiative forcing estimates from SNICAR-Adv3 with GEOS-Chem estimates of black carbon in snow on Andean glaciers.

BC_GEOS_Chem_data_file_albedo_RF.xlsx

Excel sheet containing radiative forcing and albedo estimates from SNICAR-Adv3 with GEOS-Chem estimates of black carbon in snow on Andean glaciers.

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GEOSChem.AerosolMass_BC.2014.nc4 to
GEOSChem.AerosolMass_BC.2019.nc4

Atmospheric aerosol mass estimates for black carbon from GEOS-Chem for 2014 to 2019 with biomass burning emissions from GFED4s in units of $\mu\text{gC m}^{-3}$.

GEOSChem.AerosolMass_BC.2014_noGFED.nc4 to
GEOSChem.AerosolMass_BC.2019_noGFED.nc4

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GEOSChem.Aerosols_Col.2014.nc4 to
GEOSChem.Aerosols_Col.2019.nc4

Aerosol optical depth estimates from GEOS-Chem for each column for 2014 to 2019 with biomass burning emissions from GFED4s (unitless).

GEOSChem.StateMet.2014_prec_height.nc4 to
GEOSChem.StateMet.2019_prec_height.nc4

Meteorological data from MERRA-2 used in GEOS-Chem. The files contain precipitation (in mm d^{-1}) and/or elevation (in meters) data for 2014 to 2019.

WetLossConv_BCDST_2014mgm2d.nc4 to
WetLossConv_BCDST_2019mgm2d.nc4

Dust and black carbon wet deposition from wet scavenging in convective updrafts in units of $\text{mg m}^{-2} \text{ day}^{-1}$ with biomass burning emissions from GFED4s from 2014 to 2019.

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Observations

AERONET_South America.csv

Aerosol optical depths v2, level 3 data from AERONET for South America (unitless)

amazon_fires_2000_2019.csv

Fires locations from INPE online data for 2000 to 2019 as detected by MODIS.

ARTESONRAJU 2016-2020.xlsx

Climate data for Artesonraju glacial site in Peru including temperature (°C), precipitation(mm), wind speed (km hr⁻¹), max wind speed (km hr⁻¹), and location.

ARUNTANI 2015-2020.xlsx

Climate data for Aruntani glacial site in Peru including temperature (°C), average humidity (%), precipitation(mm), wind speed (m s⁻¹), wind direction (°), and location.

BC_snow_peru.xlsx

Black carbon observations from Andean glaciers in Peru. These include monthly observations from Yanapaccha and Shallap as well as ice core observations from Huascarán and snow pit observations from Quelccaya.

daily_AERONET_means.csv

Daily averages of aerosol optical depth in South American AERONET sites.

glacier_inventory_region_extract.csv

Locations of glaciers from the World Glacier Inventory.

Illimani99_harvard.xlsx

Black carbon concentrations from the Illimani ice core.

monthly_AERONET_means.csv

Monthly averages of aerosol optical depth in South American AERONET sites.

weekly_AERONET_means.csv

Weekly averages of aerosol optical depth in South American AERONET sites.

Model codes

AndesBCenv.yml

Python environment used in both jupyter notebook codes for this project.

BC_andes_2014_2019.ipynb

Main code for black carbon deposition on Andean glaciers. The file format is a jupyter notebook.

BC_Andes_AOD.ipynb

Code used to compare AOD from observations of AERONET locations in South America versus estimates from GOES-Chem. The file format is a jupyter notebook.